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The story thus far:

After the arrival of aliens in New York City, several xenophobic political organizations form to thwart the intentions of the otherworldly visitors. Unfortunately, Michelangelo is spotted in a crowd and mistaken for an alien, creating serious problems for both the ninja and the outer space ambassadors. While trying to escape angry mobs of militant humans, Mike is befriended by the Utrom named Klag and the two do what they can to ease the cross-species tensions that are quickly reaching a boiling point.



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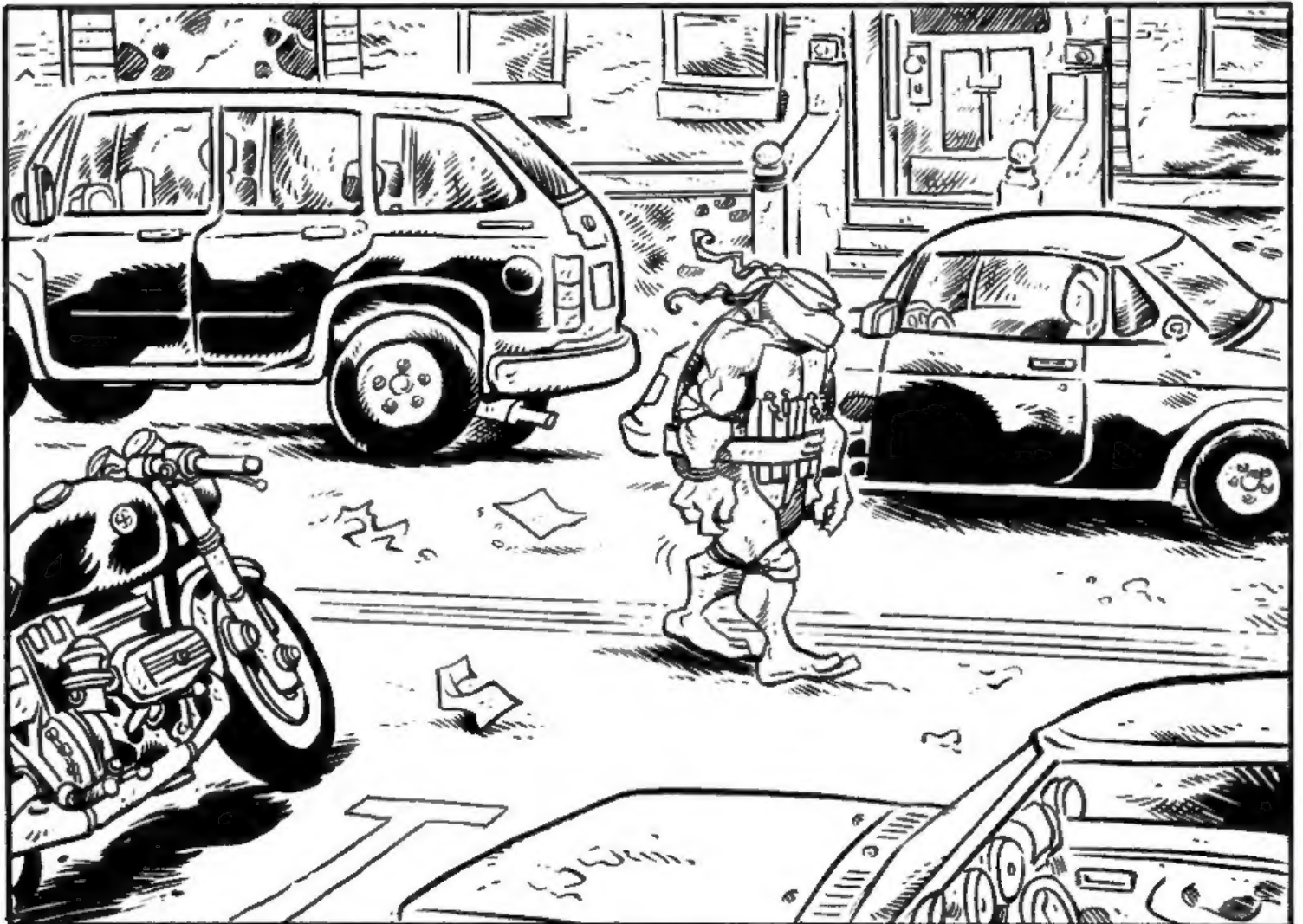
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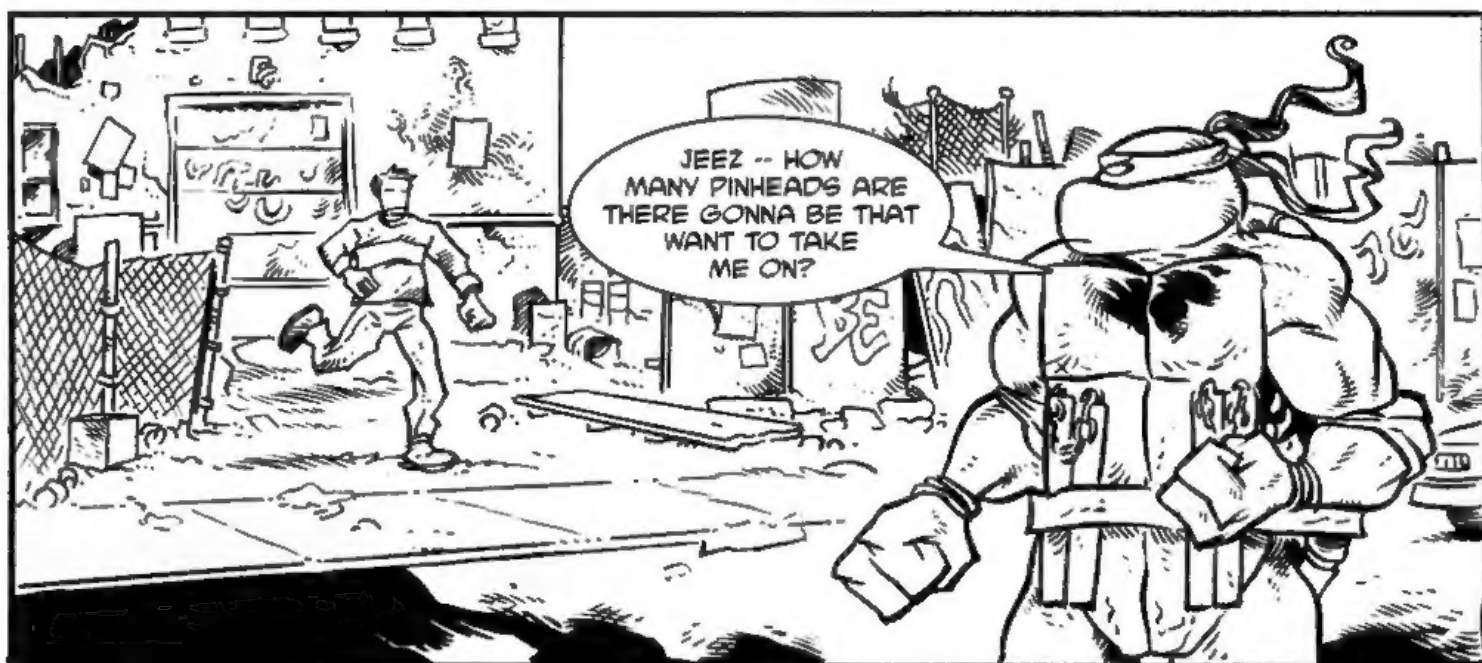
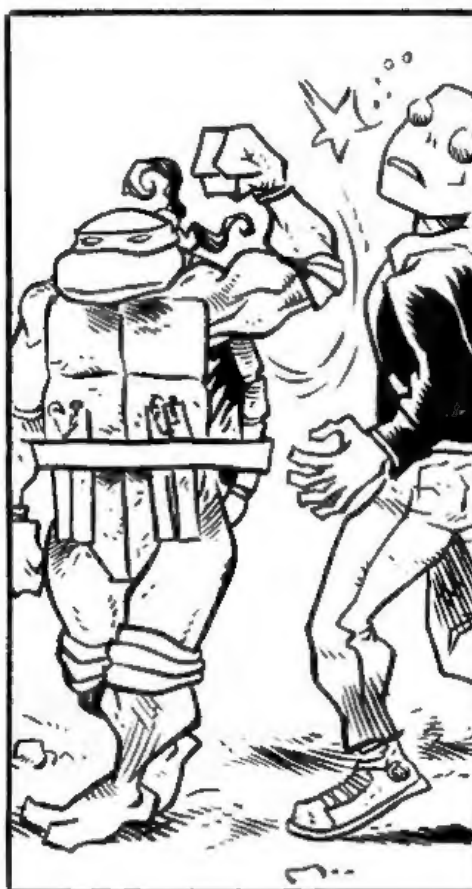
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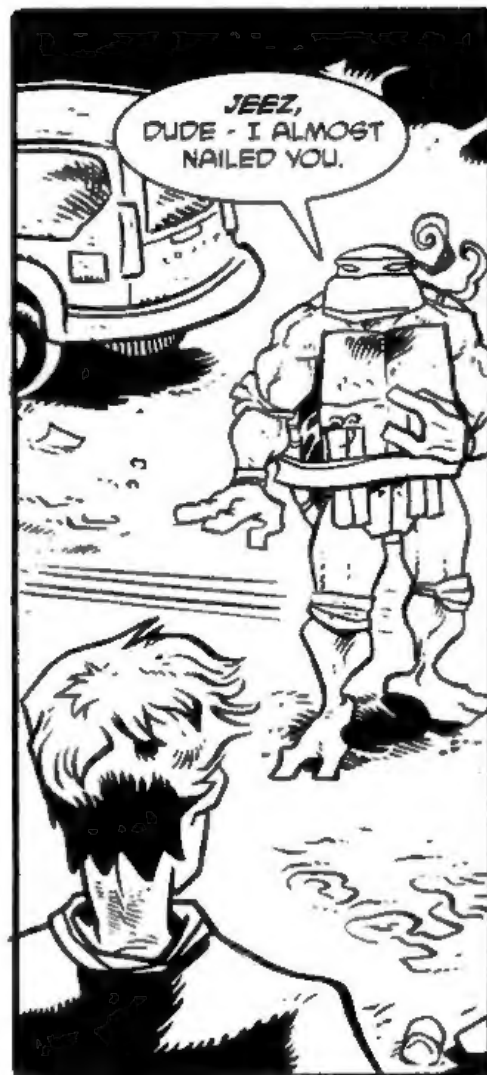


OKAY --
C'MON BUDDY,
LET'S DANCE!



DANCE?
OH NO. MICHELANGELO,
IT'S ME, KLAG.

I'M IN A
SKIN-SUIT.



JEEZ,
DUDE - I ALMOST
NAILED YOU.



FORGIVE ME,
BUT I HAVE DETERMINED
THAT IT IS JUST *TOO DANGEROUS*
TO BE AN ALIEN OUT ON
THE STREETS.

TELL ME
ABOUT IT. WHAT
ARE YOU DOING
HERE?



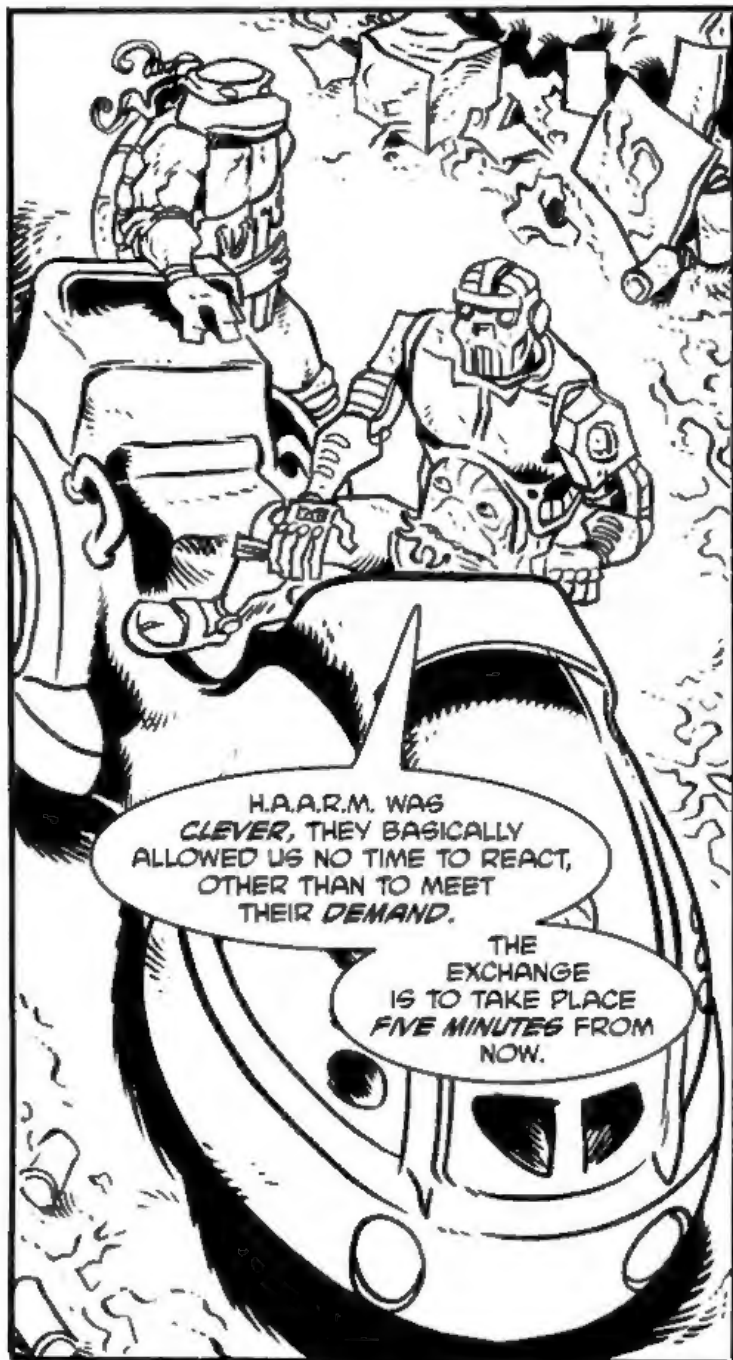
I TRACKED
YOU BY YOUR
COMMUNICATOR.
FOLLOW ME.

HAVE
YOU SEEN THE
NEWS?



NO - I WAS
KINDA OUT LAST
NIGHT.





H.A.A.R.M. WAS
CLEVER, THEY BASICALLY
ALLOWED US NO TIME TO REACT,
OTHER THAN TO MEET
THEIR DEMAND.

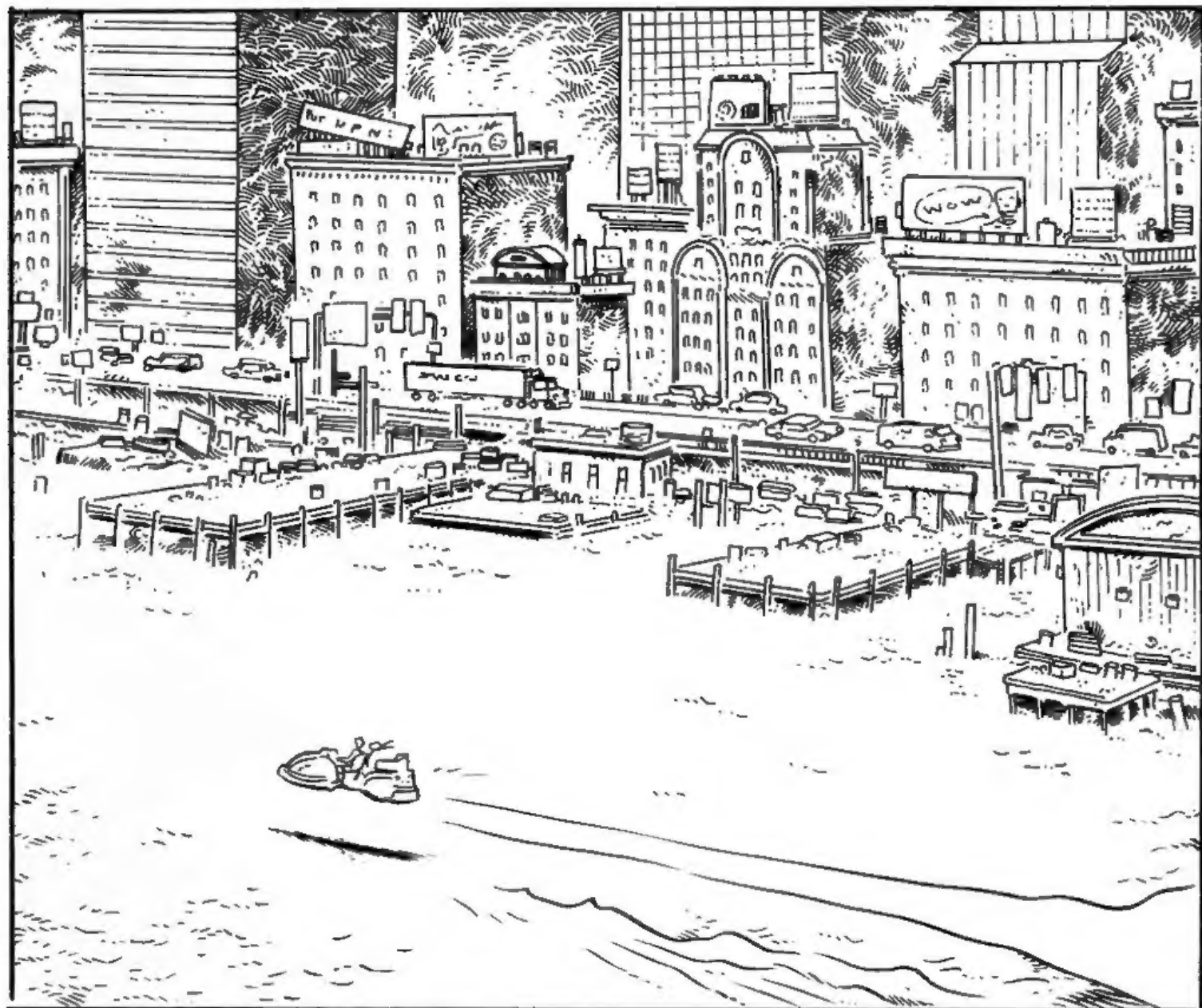
THE
EXCHANGE
IS TO TAKE PLACE
FIVE MINUTES FROM
NOW.



SO THE
AMBASSADOR IS
GOING TO TURN
HIMSELF OVER TO
H.A.A.R.M.?



HE FEELS
HE HAS NO
CHOICE.



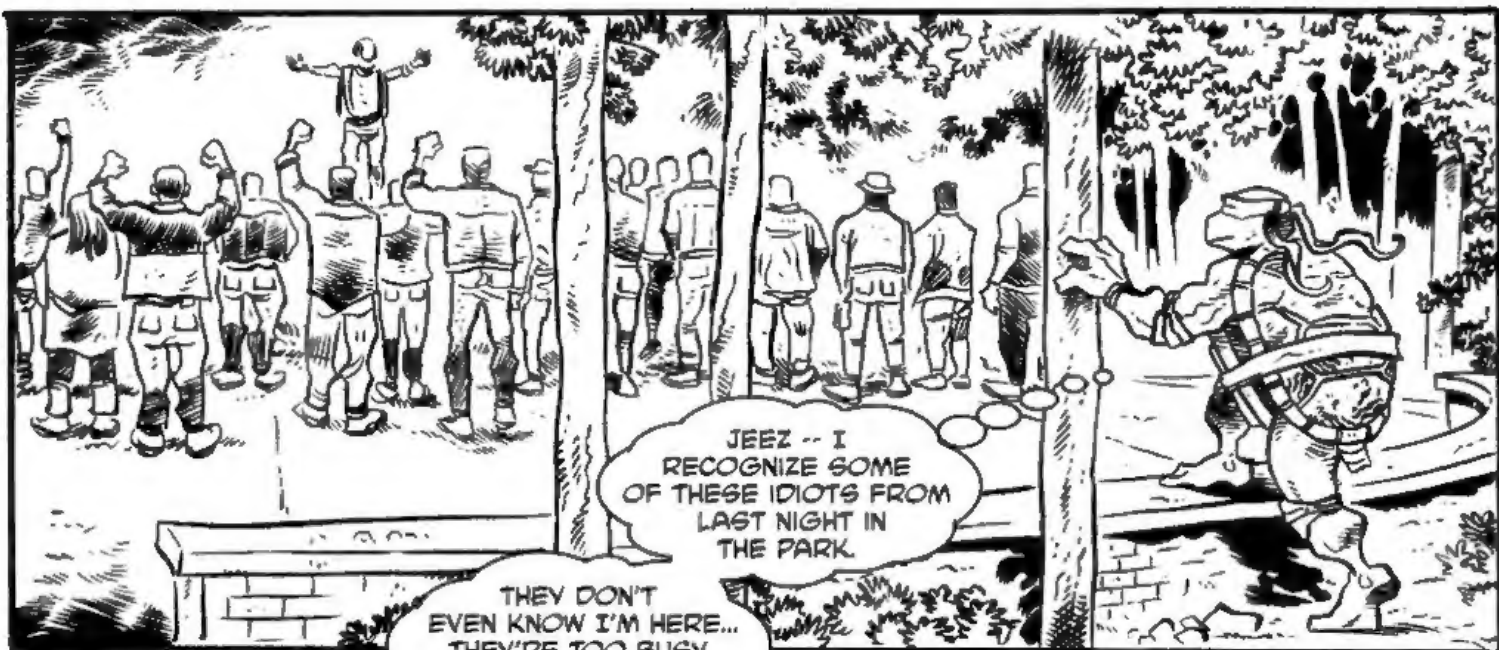
MICHELANGELO,
UNDER THE TERMS OF
THE EXCHANGE, THERE ARE NO
POLICE HERE. THEREFORE, I AM
GOING TO HELP PROVIDE
SECURITY.

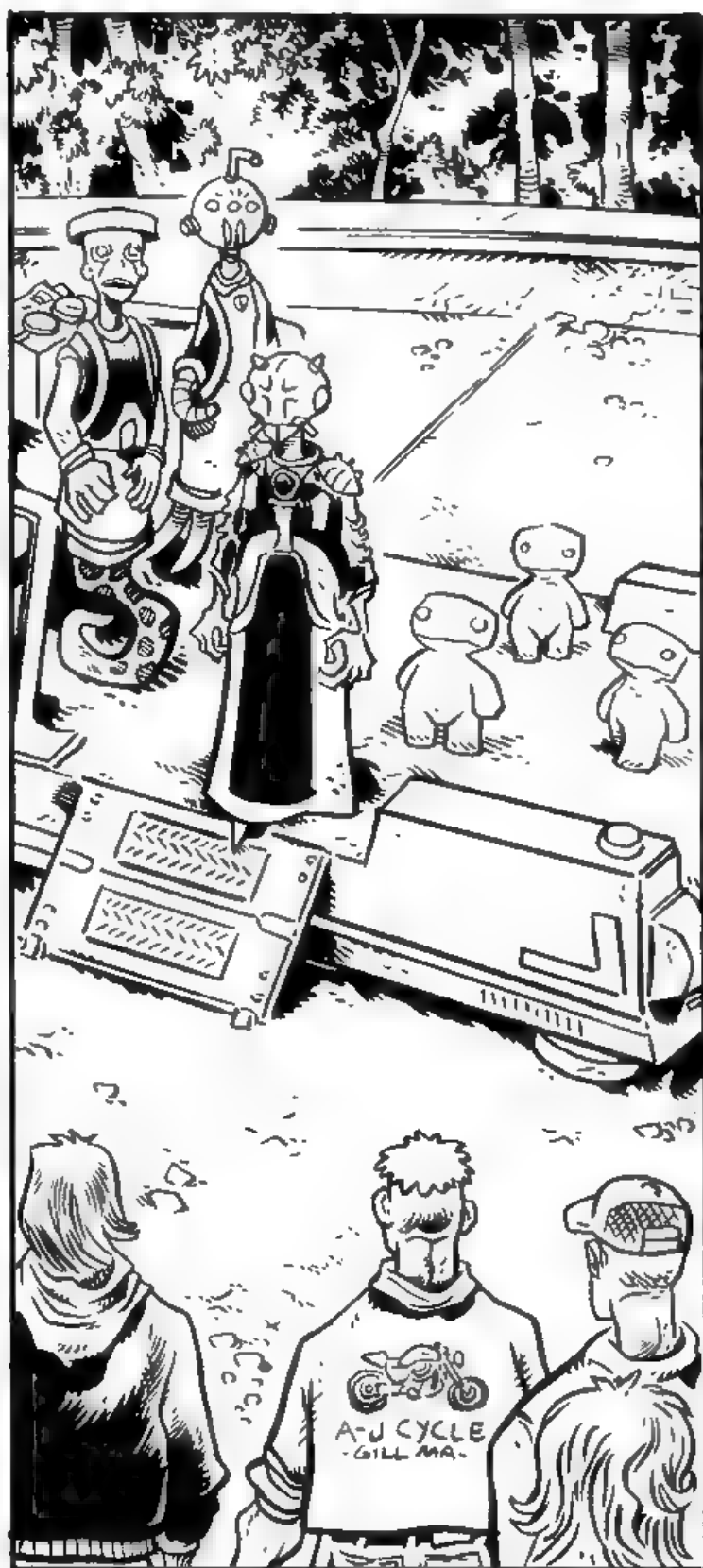


YOU GO
AHEAD AND I
WILL CATCH UP WITH
YOU LATER.



OKAY.

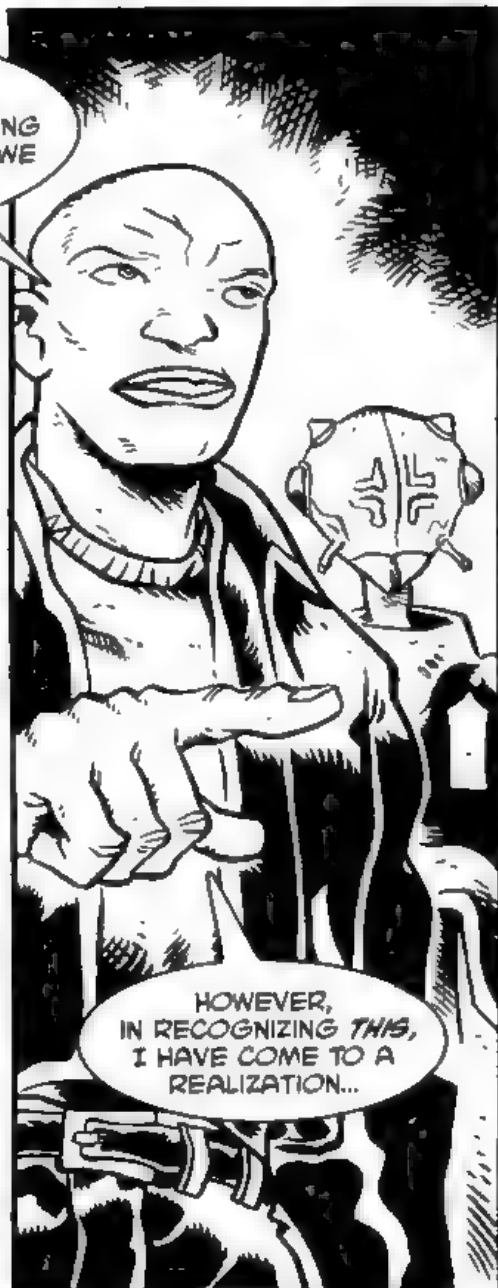














THE FACT IS,
IS THAT THIS SITUATION
WE NOW FIND OURSELVES IN
REPRESENTS A NEW
AGE FOR MAN.

THE CHOICES
WE MAKE IN THESE
DAYS WILL AFFECT THE
GENERATIONS TO
FOLLOW.

AND I
CANNOT OVERSTATE
THE IMPORTANCE OF
THIS EVENT.

LISTEN
TO MY WORDS.

THE
CIRCUMSTANCES
OF FIRST CONTACT IS
NOT A REASON FOR FEAR -
BUT RATHER IT IS AN IMMENSE
OPPORTUNITY FOR THE
PEOPLE OF EARTH.

IT
IS A
GIFT.





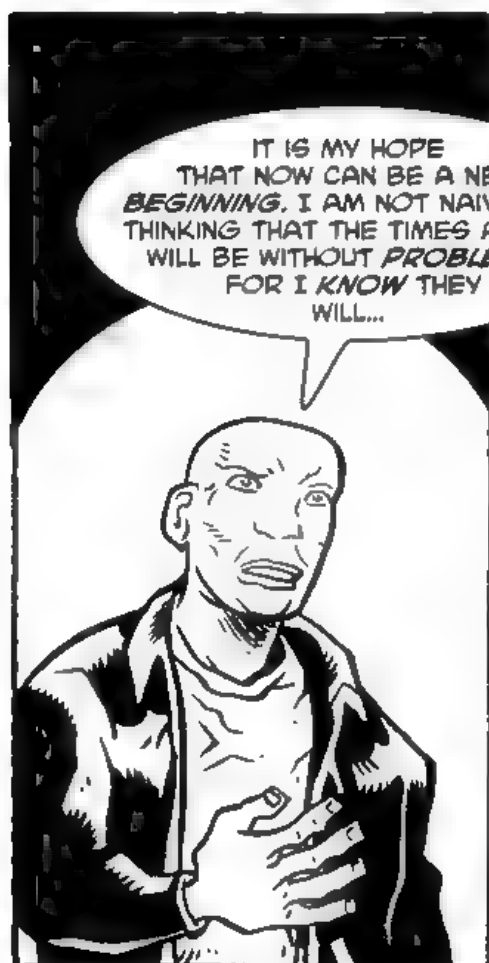




ONLY A
SHORT TIME AGO,
I THOUGHT AS
YOU DO.

HOWEVER,
NOW I REALIZE
THAT WE HAVE ALWAYS
REACTED IN THE SAME
ANCESTRAL WAY - TO
FIGHT.

AND WE
WANT TO BLAME
OTHERS FOR OUR PROBLEMS,
BUT THAT IS MISGUIDED AND
SOLVES NOTHING.



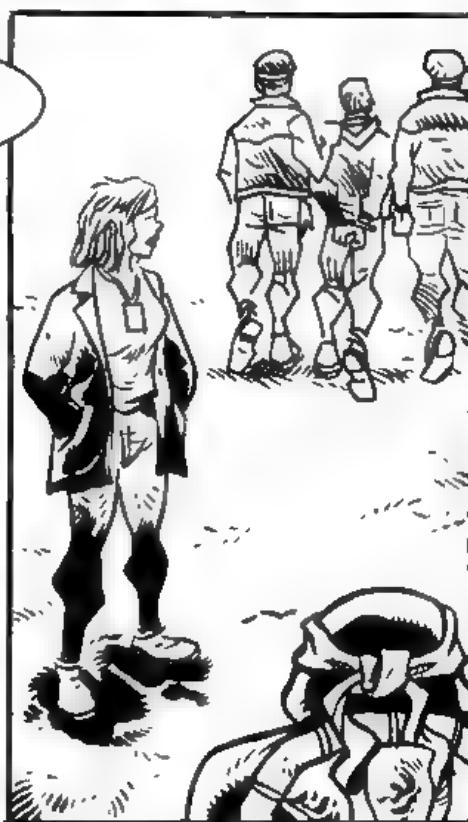
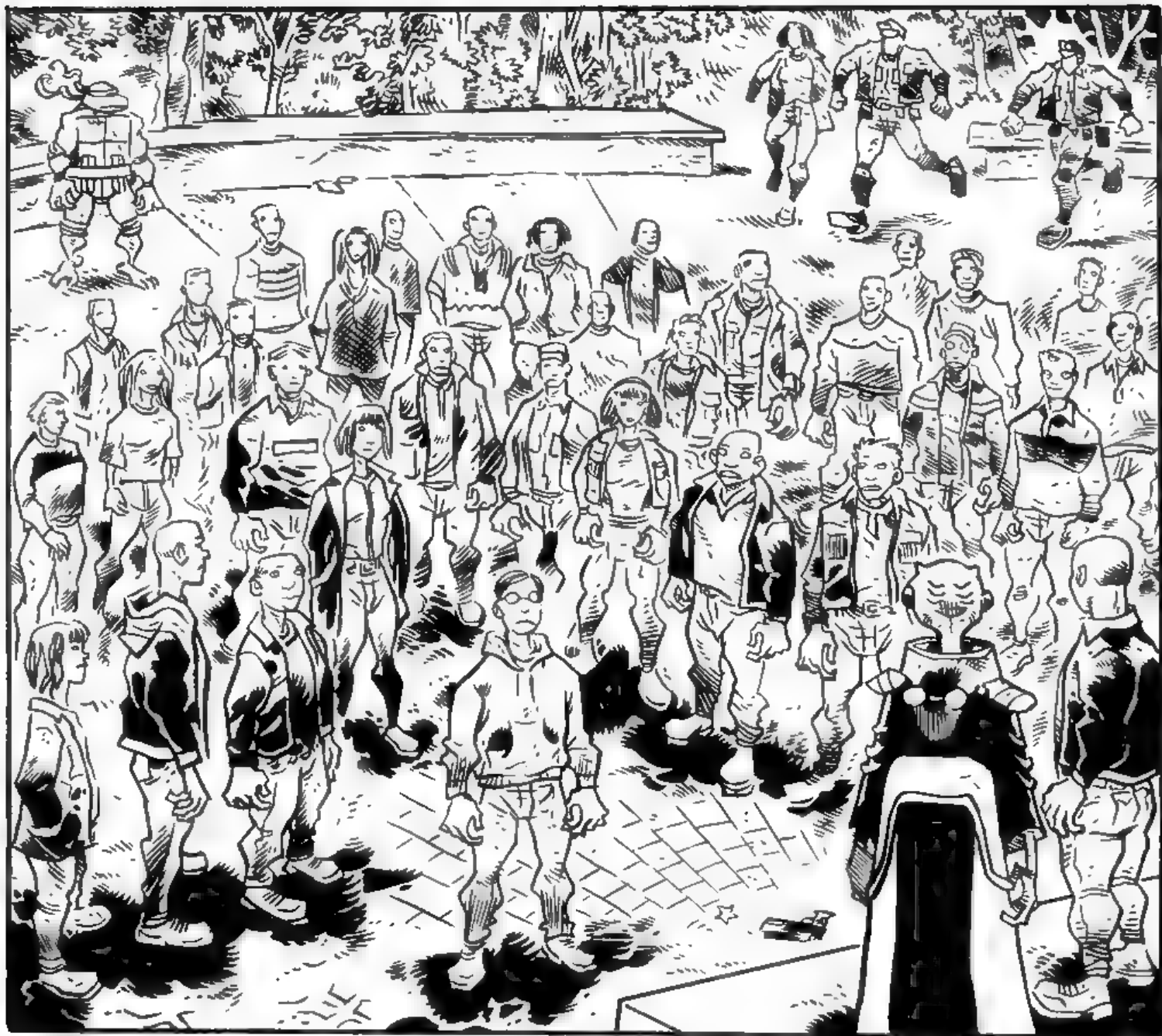
IT IS MY HOPE
THAT NOW CAN BE A NEW
BEGINNING. I AM NOT NAIVE AND
THINKING THAT THE TIMES AHEAD
WILL BE WITHOUT PROBLEMS,
FOR I KNOW THEY
WILL...

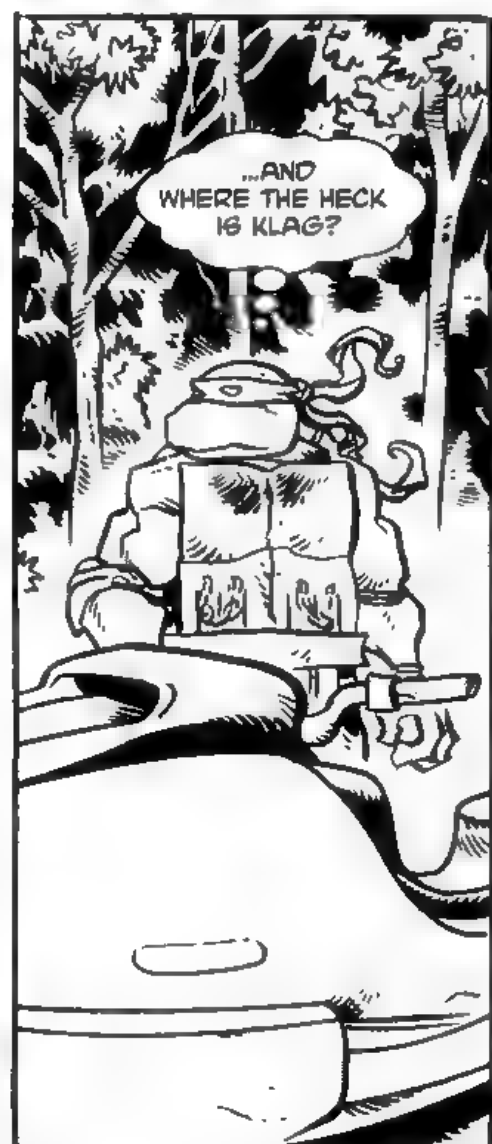


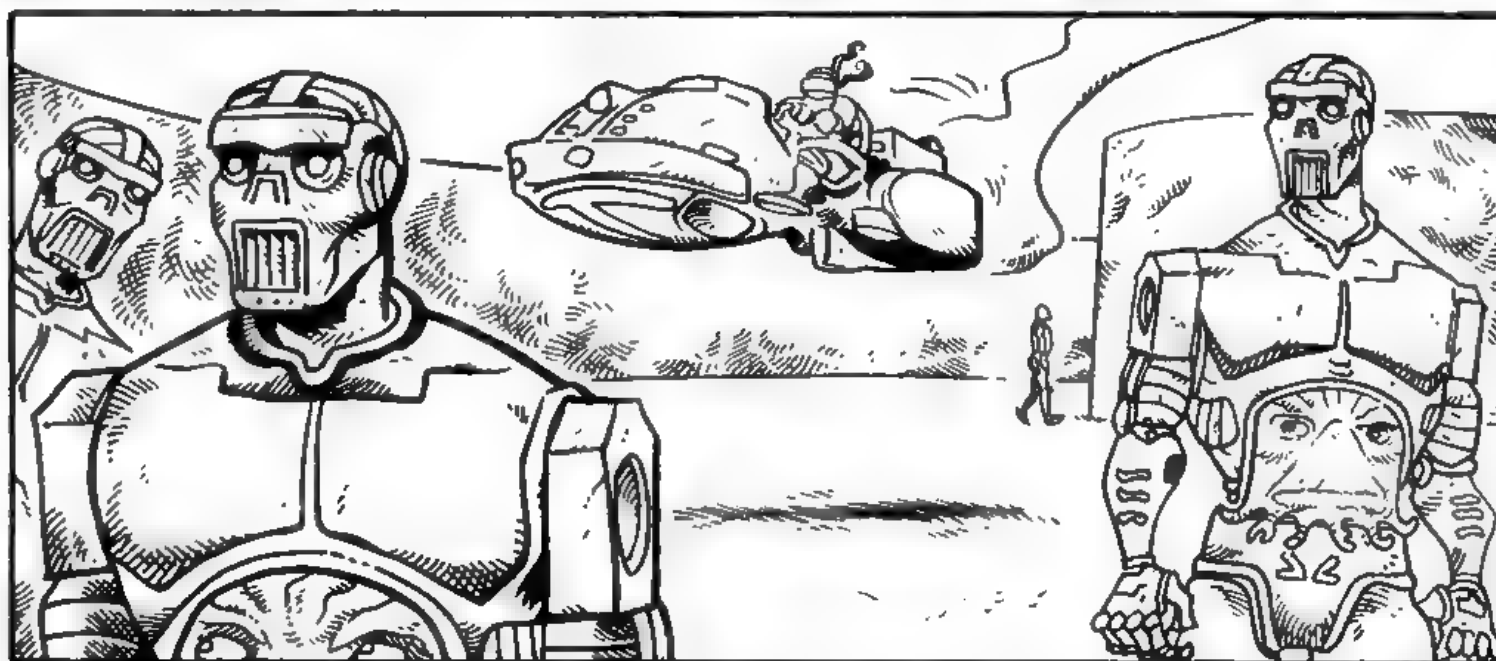
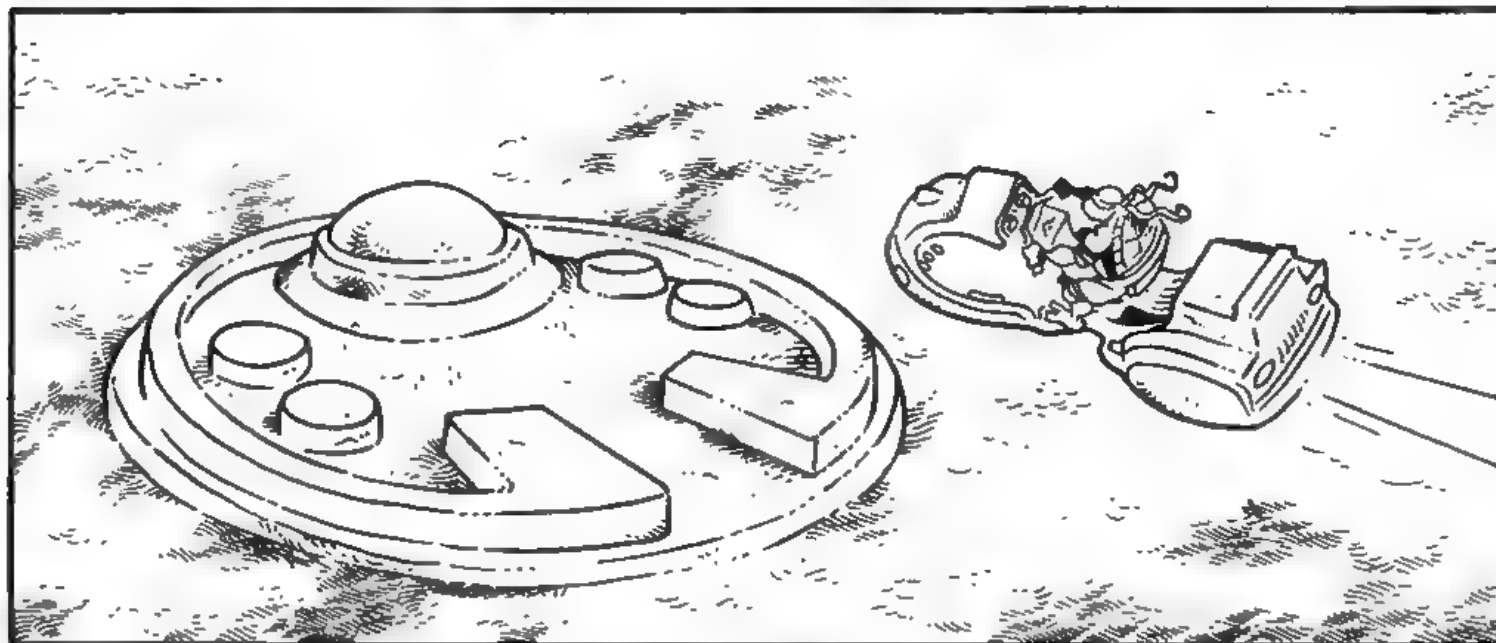
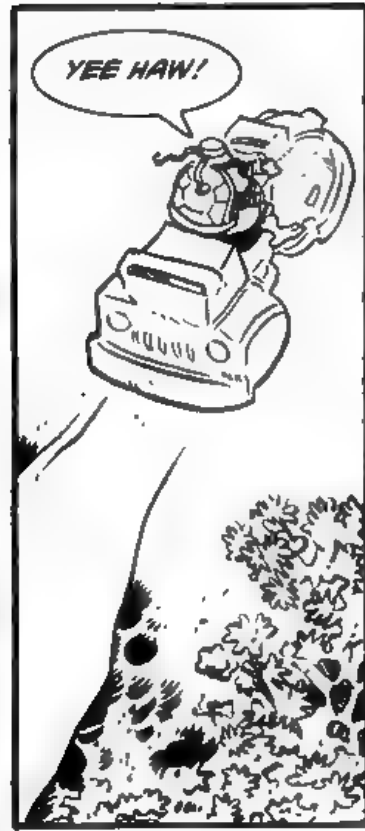
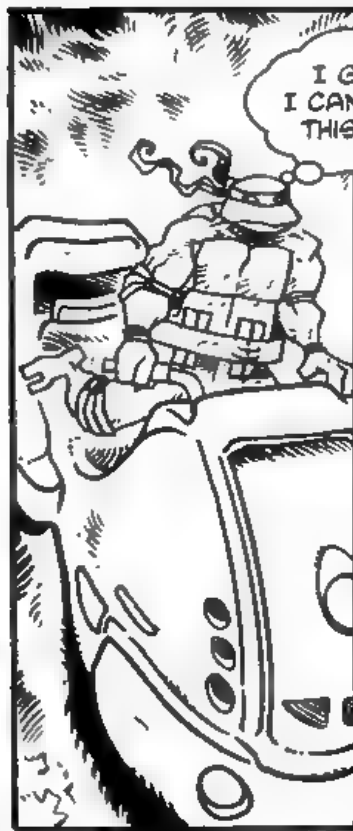
BUT IT IS
MY HOPE THAT WE
CAN TOGETHER ACKNOWLEDGE
THAT WE HAVE MUCH TO LEARN AND
THAT WE CAN BE GRATEFUL
TO THOSE WHO WOULD
TEACH US.

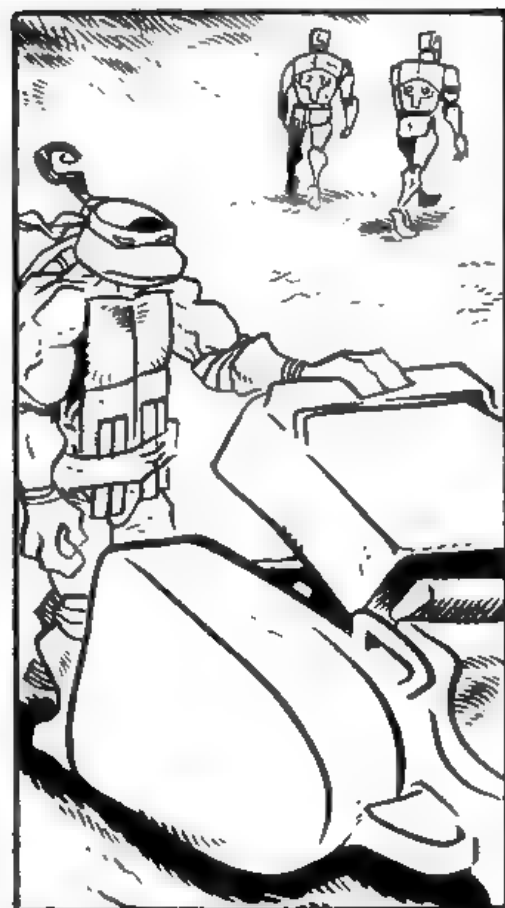
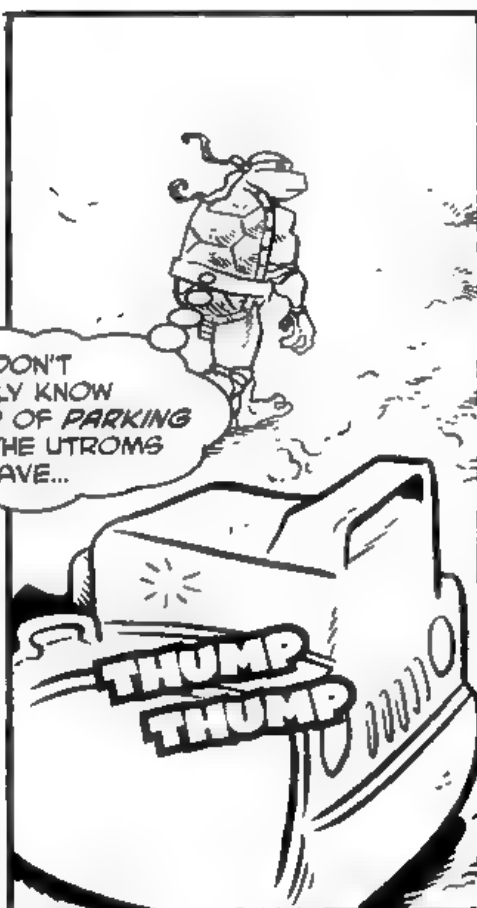
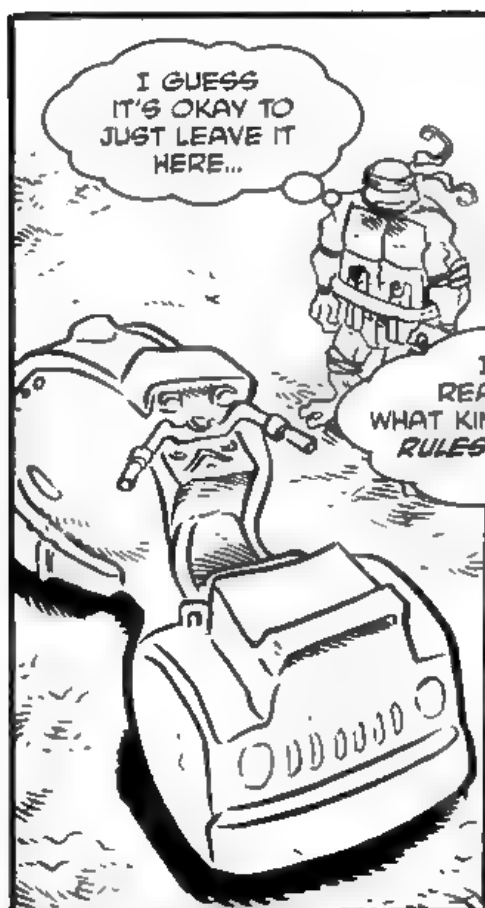


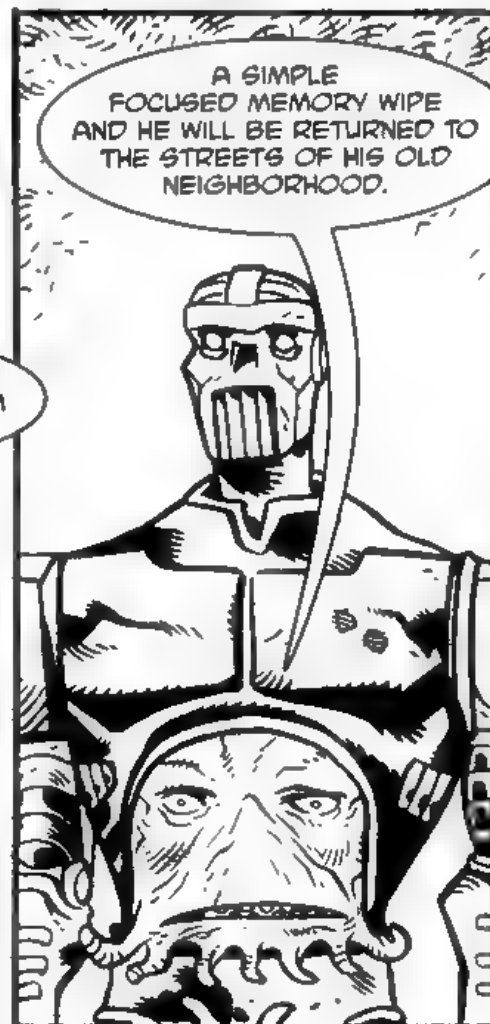
THANK YOU
FOR YOUR WORDS --
IT SEEMS I ALSO HAVE
MUCH TO LEARN AND I
WELCOME THE HELP OF
PEOPLE SUCH
AS YOU.













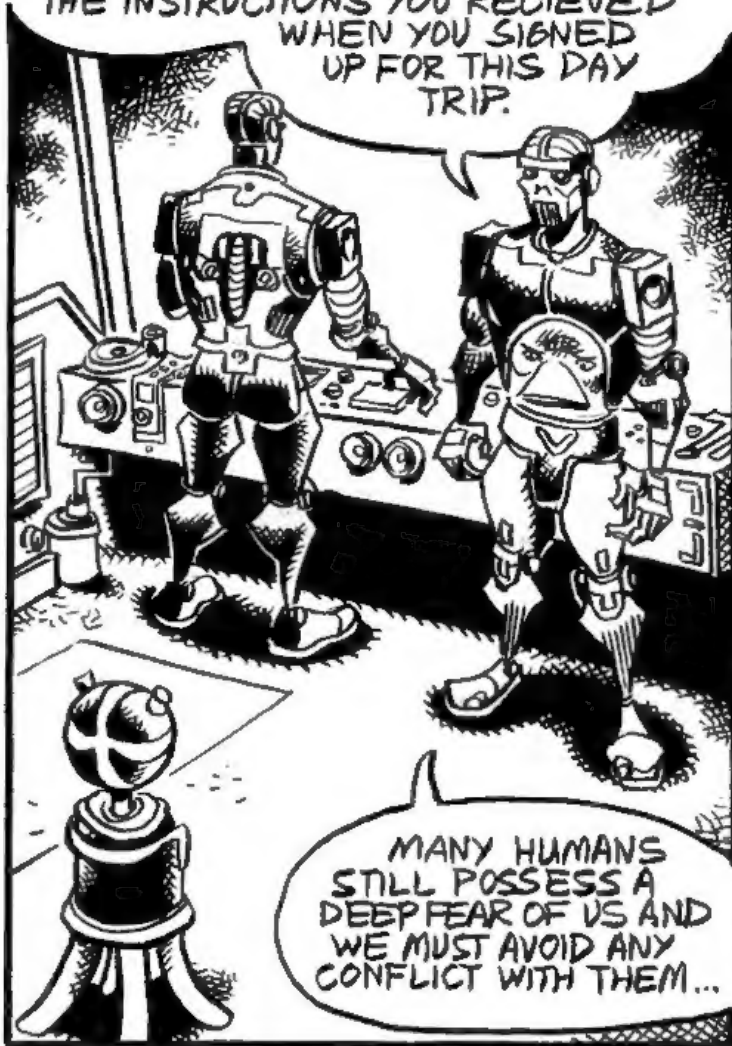
AH, IT WOULD
BE A MISTAKE, MICHELANGELO,
TO UNDERESTIMATE MANKIND'S
ABILITY FOR CHANGE.



THE END

LIFE ON EARTH

THE MOON-ISLAND TRANSPORT HAS NOW LANDED ON THE ISLAND OF MANHATTAN. PLEASE CONSTANTLY BE AWARE OF THE INSTRUCTIONS YOU RECIEVED WHEN YOU SIGNED UP FOR THIS DAY TRIP.



"...FOR UNDERNEATH THEIR ACTIONS, IN MOST CASES, THEY ARE HONORABLE AND NOBLE CREATURES."





